

Catawba College

Student Government Association

October 18, 2007
SGA Room: Cannon Student Center

A regular meeting of the Catawba College Student Government Association was called to order by President Richard Dunbar at 9:00pm. Quorum was present with Freshman Class Senator Stephanie Hill being absent and Felicia Youngblood sitting in for her. Also, excused tardiness was Aly Halter and Cecelia Runge. Congress was asked to look over the previous minutes for mistakes; none was presented, so the minutes were approved.

A. Forum for Concerned Students

- Meagan Kittle spoke about the concern of parking in Woodson parking lot on Monday and Thursday nights and how it is a difficulty to park because of Lifelong Learners. Dr. Silverburg stated to contact Dr. Edith Bolick, Director of Lifelong Learning. Megan Spidell pointed out that commuter parking is near the stadium but, athletes drive their cars down to their practice eliminating parking for commuters. Dr. Silverburg stated to contact Dennis Davidson. Megan Fulsom also stated that faculty members are parking in the few spaces available in Abernethy quad section. Abby Brown stated that people are going to park wherever they want to and find an empty space. Dean Sullivan stated that they will continue to look into it with Heath and all the construction. He also stated that they are working on signs (Red lot, Blue lot) to assign for emergency purposes at this moment so that could help out. Megan Fulsom asked about assigned parking. Lindsey Jackson stated that commuters need to be held accountable.

B. New Business

a. Homecoming Events- Megan Spidell

- Homecoming Week Updates
 1. Monday- PJ Day (Pillowcases)
 2. Tuesday- Twin Day (Cat- U Coffee Mugs)
 3. Wednesday- Wacky Tacky (Cat-U Spirit Towls)
 4. Thursday- Hillbilly Hick Day (Oozzies)
 5. Friday- Spirit Day (Cat- U Blue Horns)

- Voting Results

1. Freshmen- Kendra Joyner and Chris
 2. Sophomores- Caroline Koontz and Eric Smith
 3. Juniors- Dan Ryan and Dani Schneider
 4. Seniors- Elizabeth Foye, Jillian Lincourt, Shannon Axtell, Ron Ellington, Richard Dunbar, and Keith Brown
- The homecoming parade starts at 11am on Saturday but, be present at 10am
 - Also, the senior class will be selling Tshirts for \$8 before the day of the game then \$10
- b. *National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week- Laura Jollay*
The week of homecoming Oct.20th- 27th will be National Alcohol awareness. On display starting Monday will be a demolished car from an actual fatal accident caused by alcohol. Tuesday we will have the NC State Highway Patrol Batmobile and Wednesday will be the Day for the Dead. Day of the Dead is silence for a day where you wear a poster of a certain statistics related to fatal alcohol deaths from how many people died that day. Each participant will then have to be silent for the rest of the day after the time in which that person died. We will be looking for campus and club participation. If interested, please contact Laura.
- c. *SAC Cross Country Meet*
 - President Richard Dunbar encouraged everyone to come and support the Catawba in the SAC Cross Country meet at the Salisbury Community Park. It is the 1st time in years that the meet will be held here in Salisbury. The girls run at 9am and the guys start around 10:15am.
- d. *SGA Pictures*
-All congress and class officers will be taking pictures on Nov. 15th @ 9pm. Emails will be sent out.

C. Old Business

- a. *SGA SAC Conference*
 - President Richard Dunbar thanked Alex Will and Dr. Silverburg for being temporary parliamentarians. Matt Cole made a motion to discuss the issue of a possible South Atlantic Conference SGA conference and Brittney Tyner seconded the motion. President Richard Dunbar stated that we will start by looking at housing arrangements and nightlife here in Salisbury. Also, the concept would be to see how others meetings are ran and other ideas. Megan Spidell stated that an Olympiad event for all the schools would be exciting. The conference would rotated each year to different school, not just held here at Catawba. VP Cecelia Runge and Treasurer stated they are not in favor of the conference. Megan Fulsom stated that it is a good idea and we

are hosting it to learn. Matt Cole stated that we do not have to be the best to host it because the purpose is to learn and share ideas. Lindsey Jackson stated that networking is great but, our group teamwork is horrible. Megan Spidell stated that we need more time to put it together. Catherine Perocchi stated that by voting you are committing the time to plan and do your part—NO MATTER THE TIME CONSTRAINTS!!!! J.J. Johnson stated state we will always be busy so, why not. Brittney Tyner stated that SGA is about change and time is really limited but, we chose to be on SGA. Kenzie Brogden motioned to postpone the conference discussion until next meeting. With a hand vote the motion failed with results of 12-not in favor and 8- in favor, so the discussion continued. J.J. Johnson stated that he fears that if we vote it down it will not come back up. Cecelia stated that this is a very big time constraint. Megan Fulsom stated that this is a very big opportunity for the campus so, stop making excuses. Cecelia stated that she thinks our time should be used in different ways such as learning parliamentary procedure and the Constitution. Abby Brown asked for a point of privilege to use the restroom. Jon Rhodes made a motion to split the amendment to hold a conference and when. Megan Fulsom seconded that motion. A vote for holding a SAC SGA Conference was called and Secretary Elizabeth Foye called for a secret ballot. The results 13- in favor of and 4- not in favor so, with a majority of votes it was voted that we will be holding a conference. Now, the discussion of when to hold the conference began. Felicia Youngblood stated next year. Laura Jollay stated that if we do not do the conference this year we will never do it. Megan Fulsom stated that we as a congress voted on this conference so, we should take upon it as a big event and not let it slide to the next elected congress. Cecelia stated that networking is not the argument and should it be. Abby Brown made a motion to move the previous question and Lindsey Jackson seconded the motion. After the vote, by a majority of 12- in favor and 5- not in favor we concluded that the conference will be held in the spring semester.

b. SGA Public Relations

- President Richard Dunbar stated that congress is looking for someone to help Secretary Elizabeth Foye with the website and with Tonia Black-Gold with publicity. Tom Sharpe was brought up as an option.

c. SGA Parliamentarian

- President Richard Dunbar stated that congress needs a parliamentarian to help keep the meeting going in appropriate order. Catherine Perocchi nominated Alex Will.

D. Concerns

- a. Matt Cole asked why are we still watering the landscape when there are drought issues around us. Catawba is an environmentally friendly campus and are not under mandatory issues but, why waste and not conserver for others. Richard Dunbar stated that he will ask President Knott and Henry Haywood.
- b. Jon Rhodes stated that people are still speeding near Stanback. He asked was there any way to slow them down like speed bumps but, Dean Sullivan stated that they have been trying to get this to change for a long time through the city but, to no avail.
- c. Megan Fulsom stated a concern about the length of this congress meeting.

E. Announcements

- a. Budget Request- Due Nov. 2nd
- b. Committee and President's Reports are due next meeting- Nov. 1st
- c. Homecoming October 21st-October 27th
- d. Football vs. Wingate- Oct. 27th @ 1:30pm
- e. SAC Cross Country Conference meet- Sat., Oct. 20th @ 8am
- f. Men's Soccer vs. Belmont Abbey- Sat., Oct. 20th @ 7pm
- g. Swimming Boo Bash- Sat., Oct. 20th @ 10pm

F. Adjournment

Heather Schiffhauer made a motion to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by J. Johnson. The motion was passed and the meeting ended at 10:24pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Foye